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From: Glatky, Wendy
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2007 10:15 AM
To: Curt Pedersen (E-mail); Ray Harris (E-mail)
Cc: Afshari, Shari; Maselbas, Paul; Collins, Samantha
Subject: Rio Hondo College Bus Subsidy Program (GO RIO)

As indicated in my 05/29/07 e-mail below, Rio Hondo College asked the County to help subsidize their bus pass subsidy program for the 2007-08 school year. We intend to submit a Board letter for the July 31 agenda requesting the Board to 1) approve the contribution of \$12,400 for the Go Rio Transit Pass Subsidy Program to provide subsidized transit fares for full-time Rio Hondo College students residing in unincorporated County areas and 2) Authorize the Director to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Rio Hondo College for this Program.

The total of \$3,600 will be needed from your Proposition A Local Return Transit Program, which is less than previously quoted (in my original e-mail) as a result of further clarification by the college regarding the program cost.

Please let me know if you have any comments or questions regarding this proposed Board letter.

Thank You.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Pedersen, Curt [mailto:CPedersen@lacbos.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 9:36 AM
To: Glatky, Wendy; Harris, Ray
Cc: Stringer, David
Subject: Re: GO RIO Information

Ok to go ahead.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Device

----- Original Message -----

From: Glatky, Wendy <WGLATKY@dpw.lacounty.gov>
To: Harris, Ray; Pedersen, Curt
Cc: Stringer, David <DSTRING@dpw.lacounty.gov>
Sent: Thu Jun 07 18:01:58 2007
Subject: RE: GO RIO Information

Curt and Ray:

Have you had a chance to review this item? Please let me know if either of you would like to discuss.

Thanks!

-----Original Message-----

From: Glatky, Wendy

Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2007 3:42 PM

To: 'rharris@lacobos.org'; 'cpedersen@lacobos.org'

Cc: Afshari, Shari; Maselbas, Paul; Stringer, David; Huang, John

Subject: FW: GO RIO Information

Curt and Ray:

Rio Hondo College began GO RIO, a transit pilot program (providing all full-time college students with free bus rides), during the 2006-07 academic year. Rio Hondo financed the first year of this program. The estimated total cost for the second year of the GO RIO program is \$85,000. The college is requesting the County to help subsidize this bus pass program for the second year. The third and future years are anticipated to be financed by student fees. Based on the number of full-time students using the GO RIO bus passes during the 2006-07 school year and who reside in the unincorporated County area in your District, approximately \$4,100 would be needed from your Proposition A Local Return Transit Program.

Rather than contributing the funds up front, we recommend the County reimburse Rio Hondo College at the end of the second year. Also, the County should only reimburse Rio Hondo if the college has held a school election for the students to vote on increasing student fees to cover the cost of this bus pass program in future years. This will ensure a clear understanding that if students do not vote in support of the student fee, the County will not be subsidizing this program in future years.

We will also be approaching the First, Second, and Fifth Districts to secure funding from their Proposition A Local Return Transit Program based on the number of students living in the unincorporated areas of their Districts. Please let us know if you agree with our recommendations or if you would like to pursue an alternate approach.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Harris, Ray [mailto:RHarris@lacobos.org]

Sent: Friday, March 16, 2007 8:53 AM

To: Stringer, David

Cc: Pedersen, Curt; Matthews, Joe
Subject: FW: GO RIO Information

David:

Could you please look at the attached I guess their asking for 'matching funds' from us or the MTA maybe the 'Call" ?, let me know what you think.

Thanks

Ray Harris

-----Original Message-----

From: Matthews, Joe
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2007 2:09 PM
To: Harris, Ray
Subject: FW: GO RIO Information

Ray, Rio Hondo is asking for matching funds for their GO Rio Program. Russell is their Gov Relations Director.

-----Original Message-----

From: Russell Castaneda-Calleros
[mailto:rcastaneda-calleros@riohondo.edu]
Sent: Thursday, March 15, 2007 12:23 PM
To: Matthews, Joe
Subject: GO RIO Information

Joe:

You are right, I was supposed to send you information to share with Ray Harris. My apologies - I thought I had done so and it turns out I didn't.

Attached are the following:

- * a two pager on GO RIO - including a page summary of the program and a one page collection of student quotes
- * a powerpoint on GO RIO that I presented to various community colleges throughout the Southland - just in case Ray Harris needs more details on how and why we created the program.

Russell

P.S. - Next week is our first meeting of the SFS/South Whittier off site (STARS) campus Advisory Committee Meeting where we will be inviting school districts and local education leaders to discuss what types of courses should be offered at the STARS Center campus. I know I gave you a heads up about this a few weeks ago, but I will include details with date, time, and location in an e-mail to you later today. Thanks, Joe.